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INTRODUCTION

There is an ever-increasing demand for statistical information at a regional level for the countries of Central Europe and the EFTA countries. In order to achieve common definitions, Eurostat and the National Statistical Institutes of the CECs and EFTA have agreed that the regional levels contained in this document are to be used by the European Commission for statistical purposes whenever possible.

The regions presented in this document have been defined according to principles similar to those used in the establishment of the community nomenclature of territorial units for statistics (NUTS). However, the classifications presented does not preclude any decision on the NUTS which will be taken if some of the countries join the EU. For two countries (Estonia and Latvia) the level 3 regions have been established by grouping the level 4 administrative units. For Poland the coding structure has only been defined for the second level. For these countries temporary codes are shown in italics.

Some regions appear at several levels (example: Iceland appears as the country and at levels 1, 2 and 3). In this case, only one code is assigned. For easier selection of the regions at a specific level, their names are repeated in the columns corresponding to the level to which they belong. Annex 1 contains a list of these regions.

Maps showing the boundaries of the regions are included. The maps in this document are simply intended to enable the reader to locate the regions; the regional boundaries shown are also purely indicative. The scale used may differ depending on the country.

A glossary of country names and some other terms in German and French are available in Annex 2.

EFTA COUNTRIES

The EEA (European Economic Area) comprises 18 countries - the 15 EU member states and three of the EFTA countries (Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway). The fourth EFTA country, Switzerland, is not part of EEA. Nevertheless similar codes have been defined for regions in Switzerland as well.

CENTRAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES (CEC)

The CEC consist of ten countries which have all begun the process of accession to the EU. The coding system presented in this publication is an updated version of the Eurostat working document "Statistical Regions for the CEC" published in March 1998.

It should be noted that some countries are undergoing, or are likely to undergo, reforms to their administrative structure that may result in changes to the regions defined in this document.

RELATED ISSUES

Statistical regions are defined at three different levels. For levels 4 and 5, it is planned to assign codes in the EFTA countries. In the CEC no such plans exist yet, but an indication of which kind of units might be used can be found in Table 1.

The NUTS nomenclature is defined only for the 15 member states of the European Union. An updated version of the NUTS was published by Eurostat in 1999.

Statistical data for the regions comprising the first 3 levels of the NUTS (EU-15) is available in publications and data bases. Main variables are published annually in "Regions statistical yearbook". Additional variables and time series for regional data are available in the data bases REGIO and New Cronos. Information regarding access to these data is supplied by the Eurostat Data Shops (see addresses at the end of the publication).

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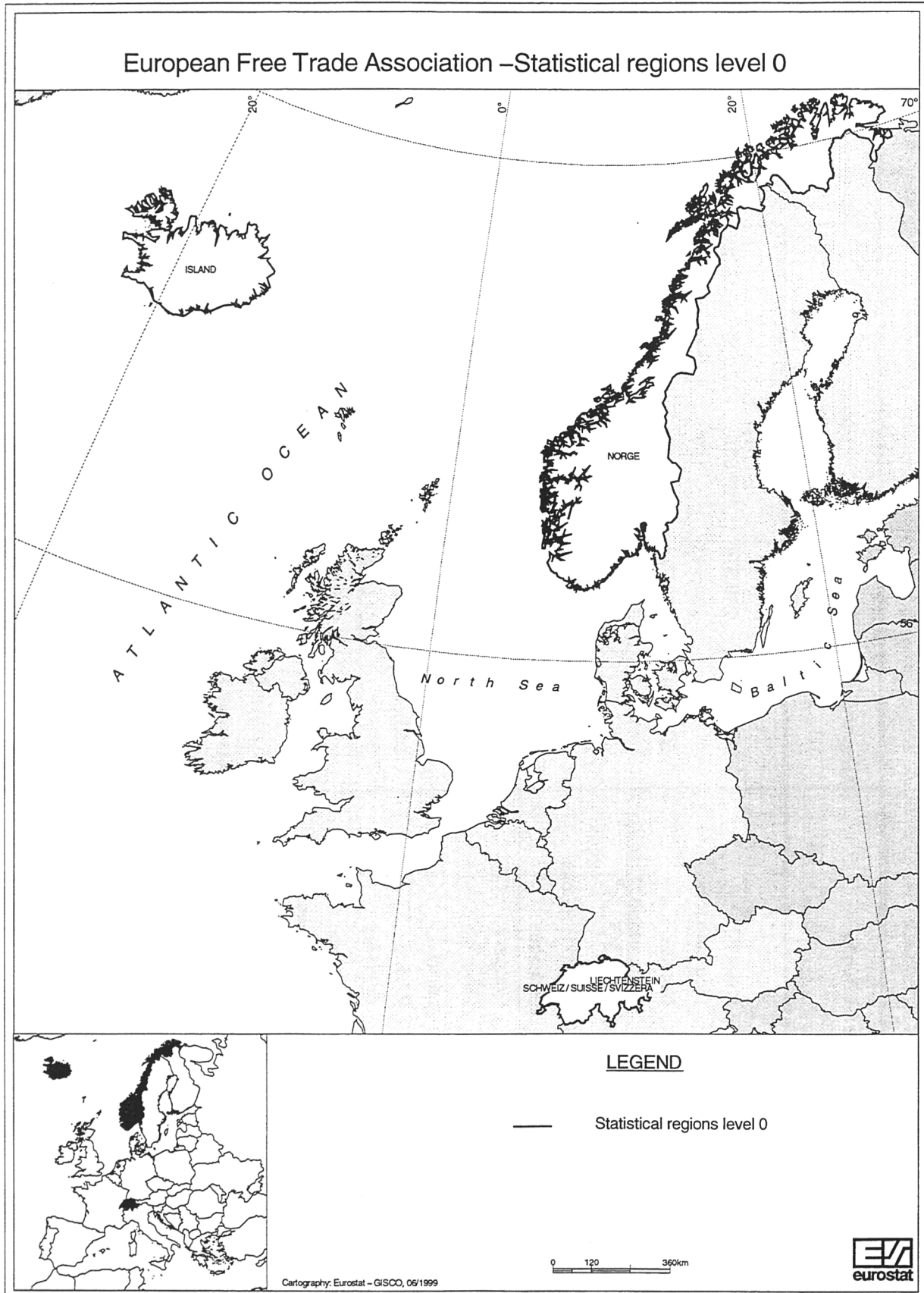
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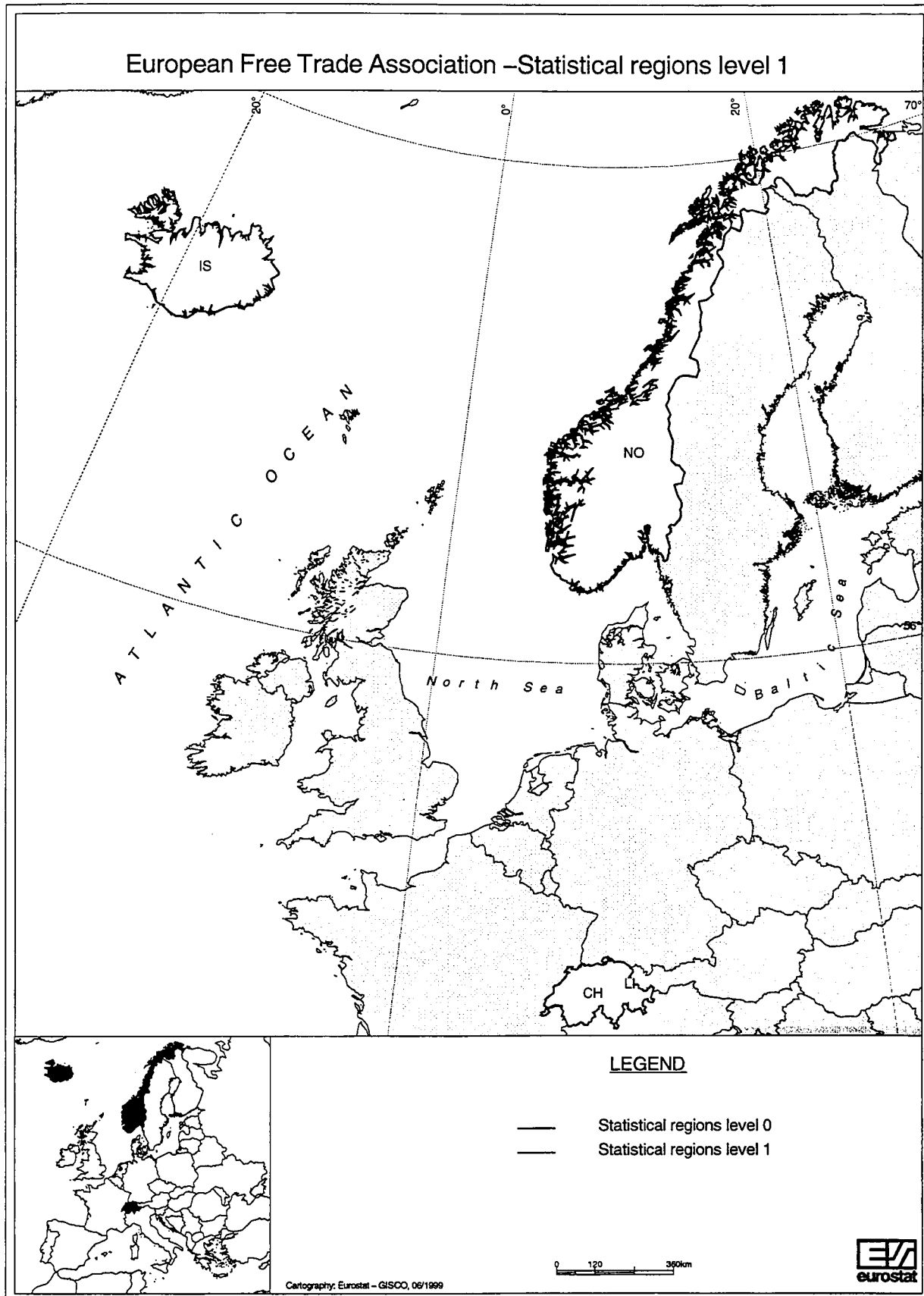
	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5
EFTA countries					
Iceland	ISLAND	ISLAND	ISLAND	LANDSVÆÐI (8)	SVEITARFÉLÖG (165 in 1997, 124 from 1998)
Liechtenstein	LIECHTENSTEIN	LIECHTENSTEIN	LIECHTENSTEIN	LANDSCHAFTEN (2)	GEMEINDEN (11)
Norway	NORGE	LANDSDELER (7)	FYLKER (19)	HANDELSDISTRIKT (90)	KOMMUNER (435)
Switzerland	SCHWEIZ / SUISSE / SVIZZERA	GROSSREGIONEN / GRANDES RÉGIONS / GRANDI REGIONI (7)	KANTONE / CANTONS / CANTONI (26)	BEZIRKE / DISTRICTS / DISTRETTI(184)	GEMEINDEN / COMMUNES / COMUNI (2929)

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5
Central European Countries (CEC)					
Bulgaria	GEOGRAPHISKI ZONI (3)	to be defined	OBLASTI (28)	OBSHTINI (255)	NASELENI MESTA (5340)
Czech Republic	CESKA REPUBLIKA	GROUPS OF KRAJE (8)	KRAJE (14)	OKRESY (77)	OBCE (6 233)
Estonia	EESTI	EESTI	GROUPS OF MAAKOND (5)	MAAKOND (15)	VALD+ALEV+LINN (254)
Hungary	MAGYARORSZAG	TERVEZESI-STATISZTIKAI REGIO (7)	MEGYEK + BUDAPEST (20)	STATISZTIKAI KISTERSEG (150)	TELEPULES (3130)
Lithuania	LIETUVA	LIETUVA	APSKRITIS (10)	SAVIVALDYBES (56)	SENIUNIJA (446)
Latvia	LATVIJA	LATVIJA	REGIONS (5)	RAJONI + PILSETAS (33)	PAGAST+ PILSETAS
Poland	to be defined	WOJEWODZTWA (16)	to be defined		GMINY+MIASTA (3356)
Romania	ROMANIA	REGIONS (8)	JUDET + BUCURESTI (42)		COMMUNES+MUNICIPIU+ ORAJSE (2948)
Slovenia	SLOVENIJA	SLOVENIJA	STATISTICNE REGIJE (12)		OBCINAH (147)
Slovakia	SLOVENSKA REPUBLIKA	ZOSKUPENIA KRAJOV (4)	KRAJE (8)	OKRESY (79)	OBCE A MESTA (2871)

Table 2: Mean area and mean population of the regions

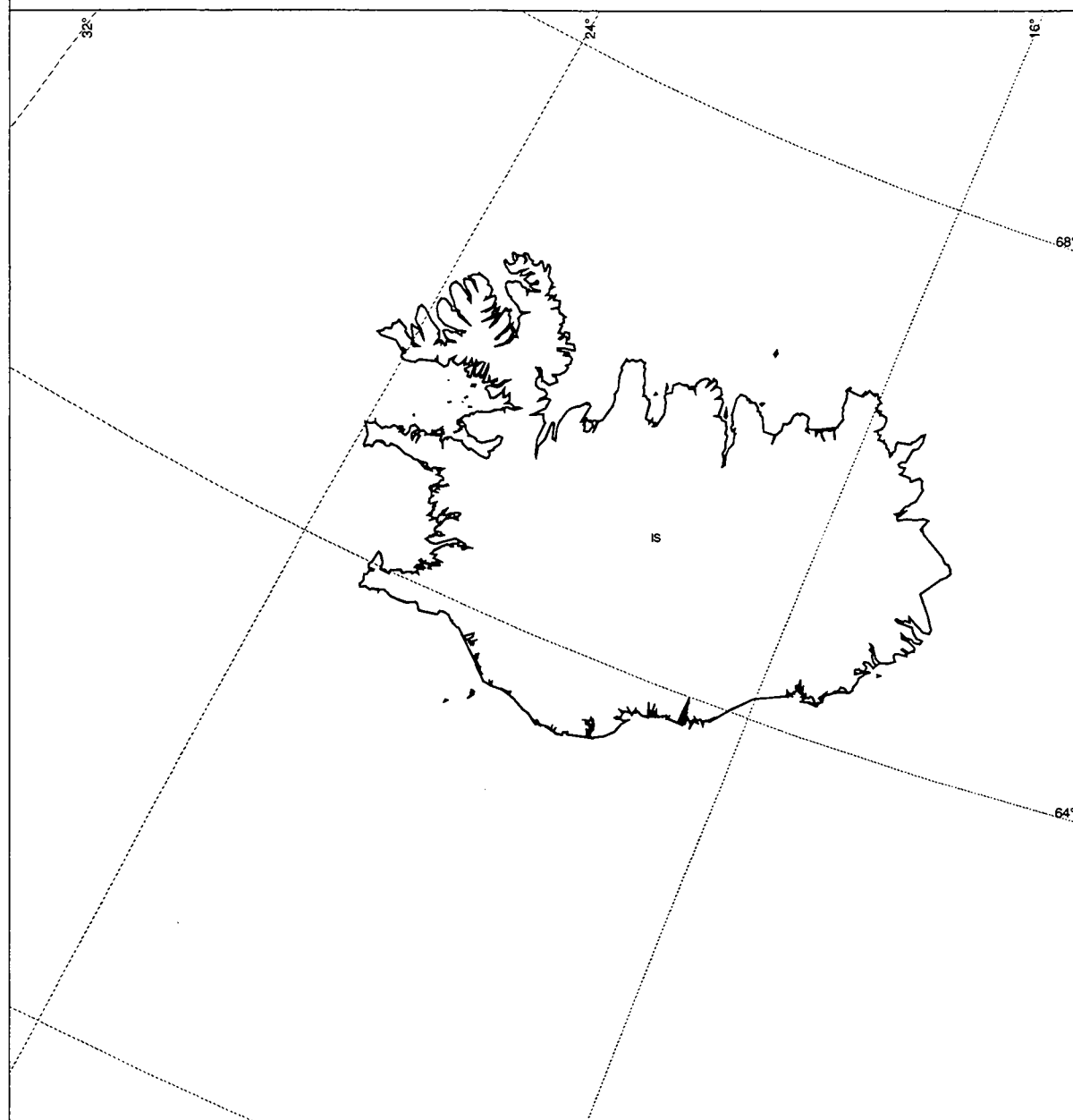
Code	Country	Area, km ²	Population 1/1/1997	Mean area			Mean population (000)		
				Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
IS	Iceland	103,000	269,874	103,000	103,000	103,000	270	270	270
LI	Liechtenstein	160	31,143	160	160	160	31	31	31
NO	Norway	323,880	4,392,714	323,880	46,269	17,046	4,393	628	231
CH	Switzerland	41,290	7,081,346	41,290	5,899	1,588	7,081	1,012	272
BG	Bulgaria	110,910	8,340,936	36,970	..	3,961	2,780	..	298
CZ	Czech Republic	78,703	10,309,137	78,703	9,838	5,622	10,309	1,289	736
EE	Estonia	45,100	1,462,130	45,100	45,100	9,020	1,462	1,462	292
HU	Hungary	93,030	10,174,442	93,030	13,290	4,652	10,174	1,453	509
LT	Lithuania	65,200	3,707,213	65,200	65,200	6,520	3,707	3,707	371
LV	Latvia	64,100	2,479,870	64,100	64,100	12,820	2,480	2,480	496
PL	Poland	312,680	38,639,300	..	19,543	2,415	..
RO	Romania	237,500	22,581,862	237,500	29,688	5,655	22,582	2,823	538
SI	Slovenia	20,256	1,986,989	20,256	20,256	1,688	1,987	1,987	166
SK	Slovak Republic	48,845	5,378,932	48,845	12,211	6,106	5,379	1,345	672
EU-15	European Union			41,676	15,406	2,974	4,811	1,787	345





CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
IS			ÍSLAND
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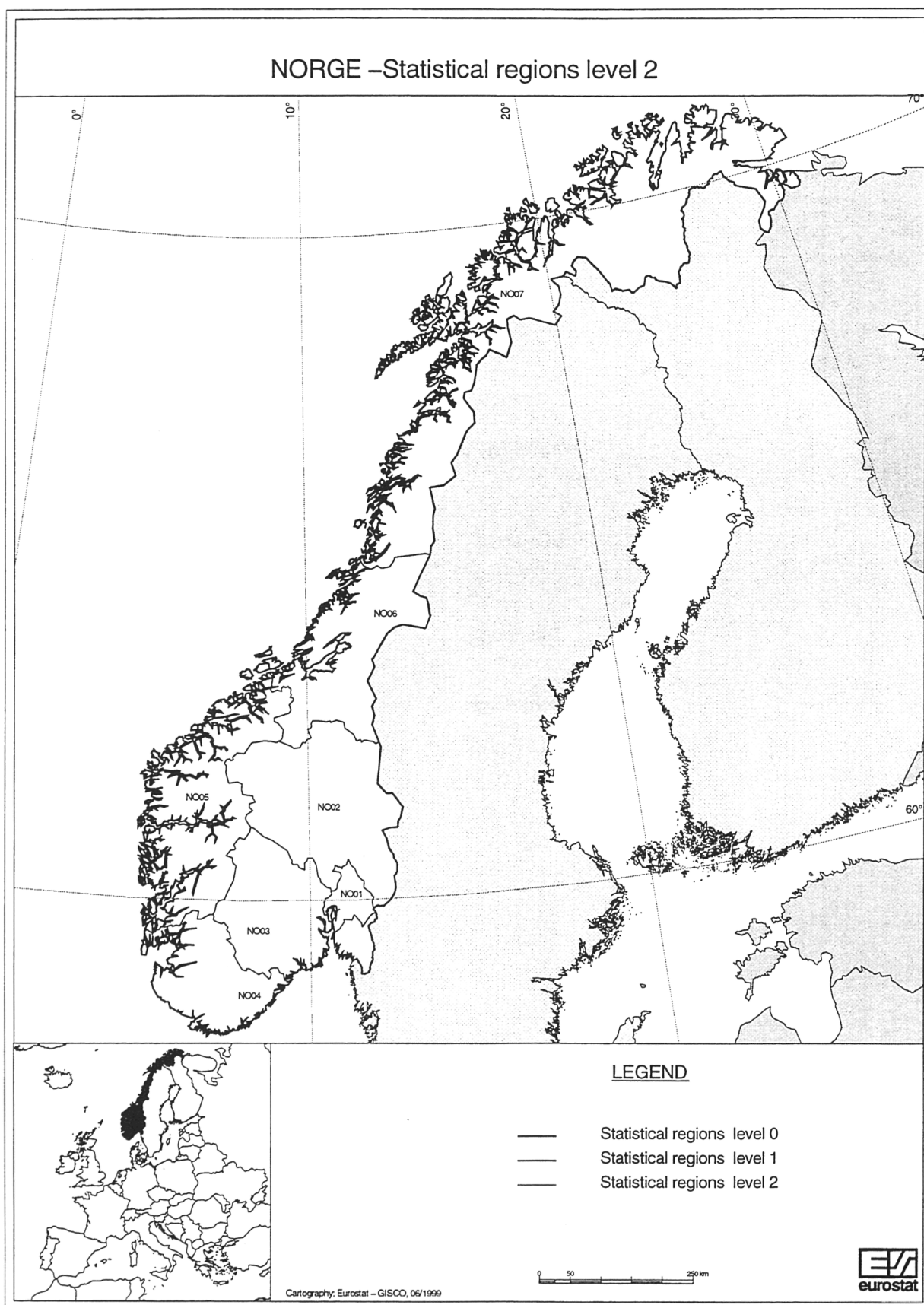
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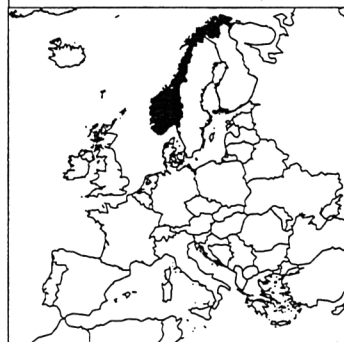
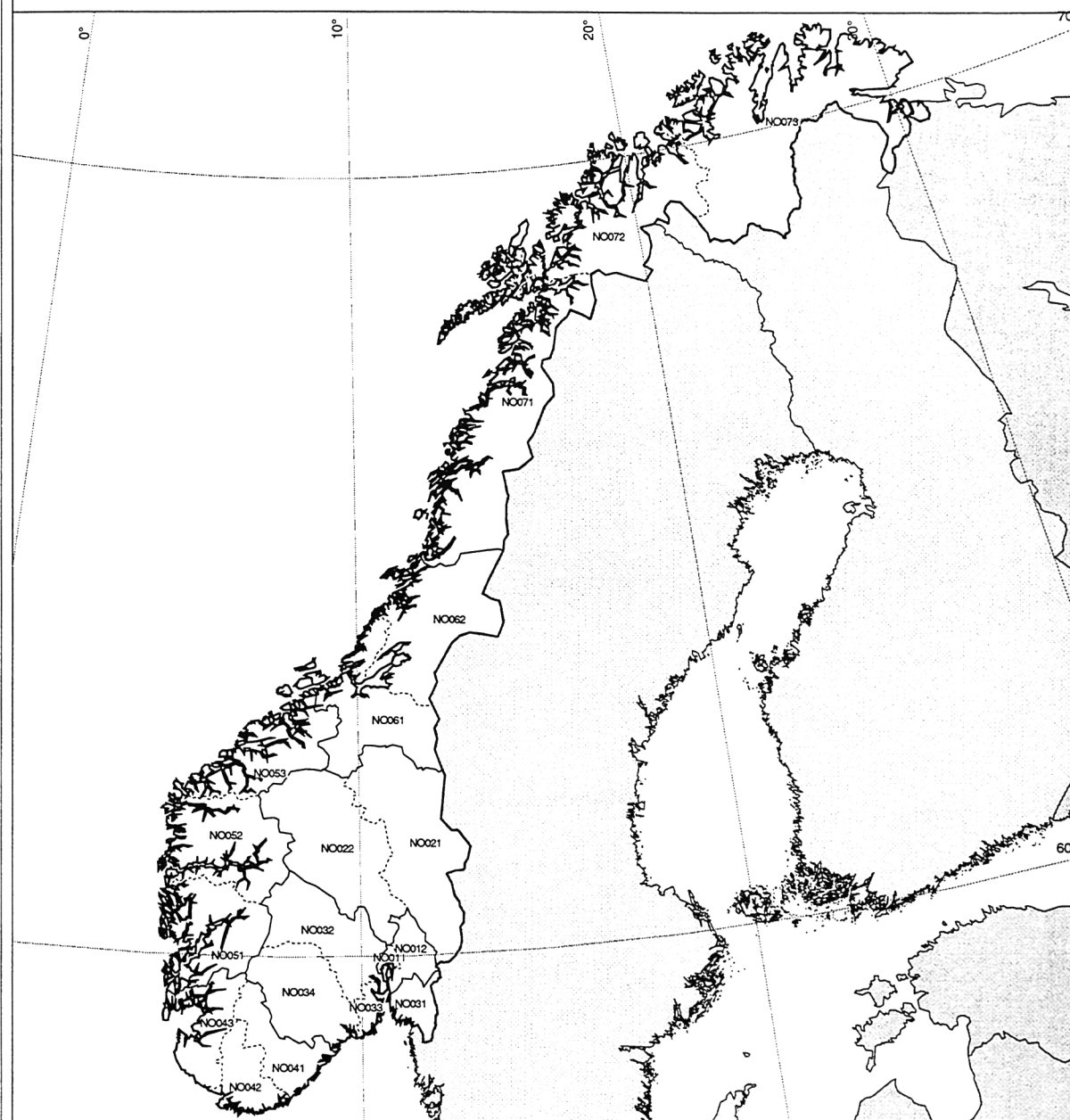
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CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
LI			LIECHTENSTEIN
LI	LIECHTENSTEIN	LIECHTENSTEIN	LIECHTENSTEIN

CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
NO			NORGE
NO	NORGE		
NO01		Oslo og Akershus	
NO011			Oslo
NO012			Akershus
NO02		Hedmark og Oppland	
NO021			Hedmark
NO022			Oppland
NO03		Sør-Østlandet	
NO031			Østfold
NO032			Buskerud
NO033			Vestfold
NO034			Telemark
NO04		Agder og Rogaland	
NO041			Aust-Agder
NO042			Vest-Agder
NO043			Rogaland
NO05		Vestlandet	
NO051			Hordaland
NO052			Sogn og Fjordane
NO053			Møre og Romsdal
NO06		Trøndelag	
NO061			Sør-Trøndelag
NO062			Nord-Trøndelag
NO07		Nord-Norge	
NO071			Nordland
NO072			Troms
NO073			Finnmark



NORGE – Statistical regions level 3



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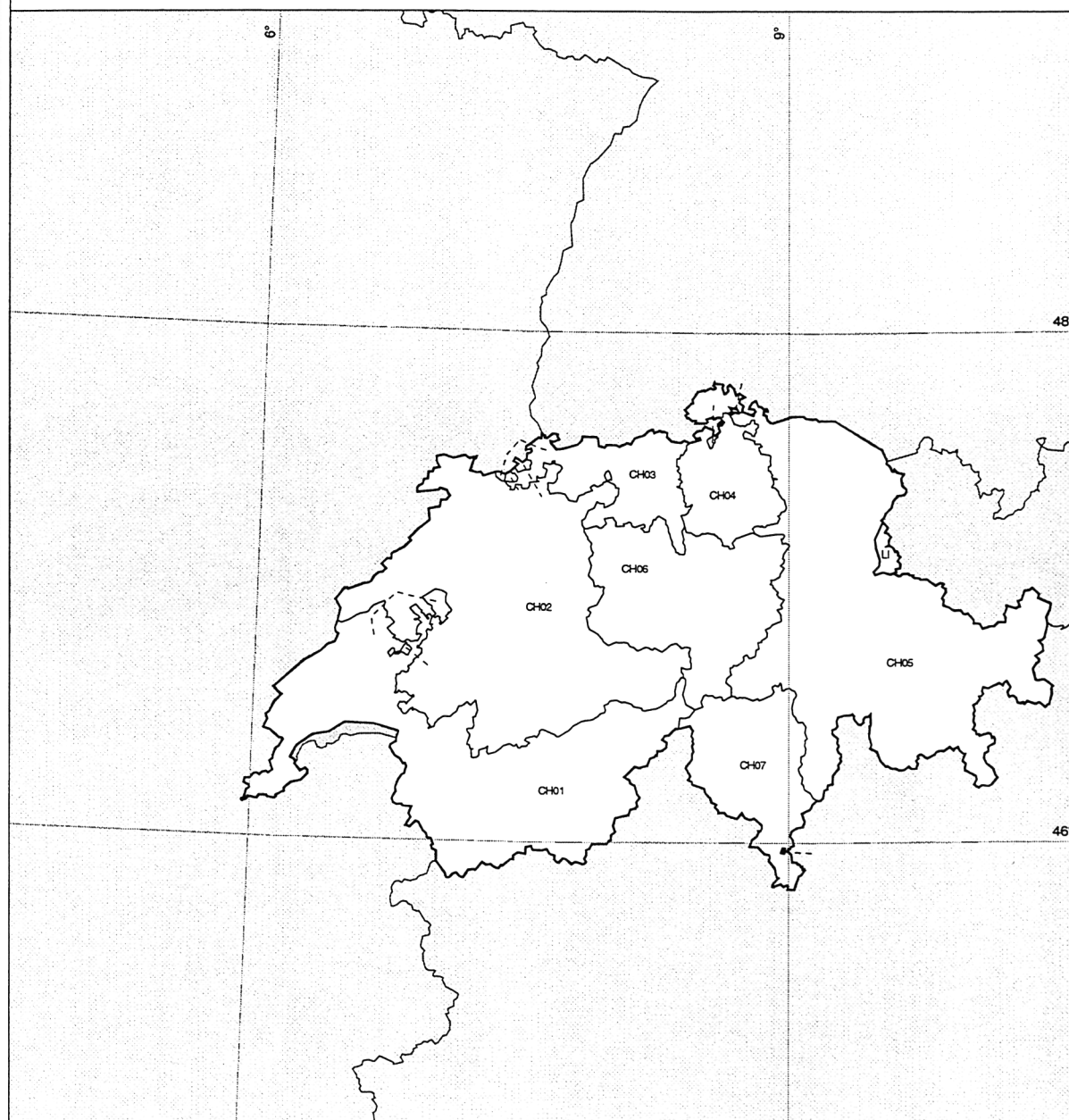
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CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
CH			SCHWEIZ / SUISSE / SVIZZERA
CH	Schweiz/Suisse/Svizzera		
CH01		Région lémanique	
CH011			Vaud
CH012			Valais
CH013			Genève
CH02		Espace Mittelland	
CH021			Bern
CH022			Freiburg
CH023			Solothurn
CH024			Neuchâtel
CH025			Jura
CH03		Nordwestschweiz	
CH031			Basel-Stadt
CH032			Basel-Landschaft
CH033			Aargau
CH04		Zürich	Zürich
CH05		Ostschweiz	
CH051			Glarus
CH052			Schaffhausen
CH053			Appenzell Ausserrhoden
CH054			Appenzell Innerrhoden
CH055			St. Gallen
CH056			Graubünden
CH057			Thurgau
CH06		Zentralschweiz	
CH061			Luzern
CH062			Uri
CH063			Schwyz
CH064			Obwalden
CH065			Nidwalden
CH066			Zug
CH07		Ticino	Ticino

SCHWEIZ/SUISSE/SVIZZERA –LIECHTENSTEIN –Statistical regions level 2



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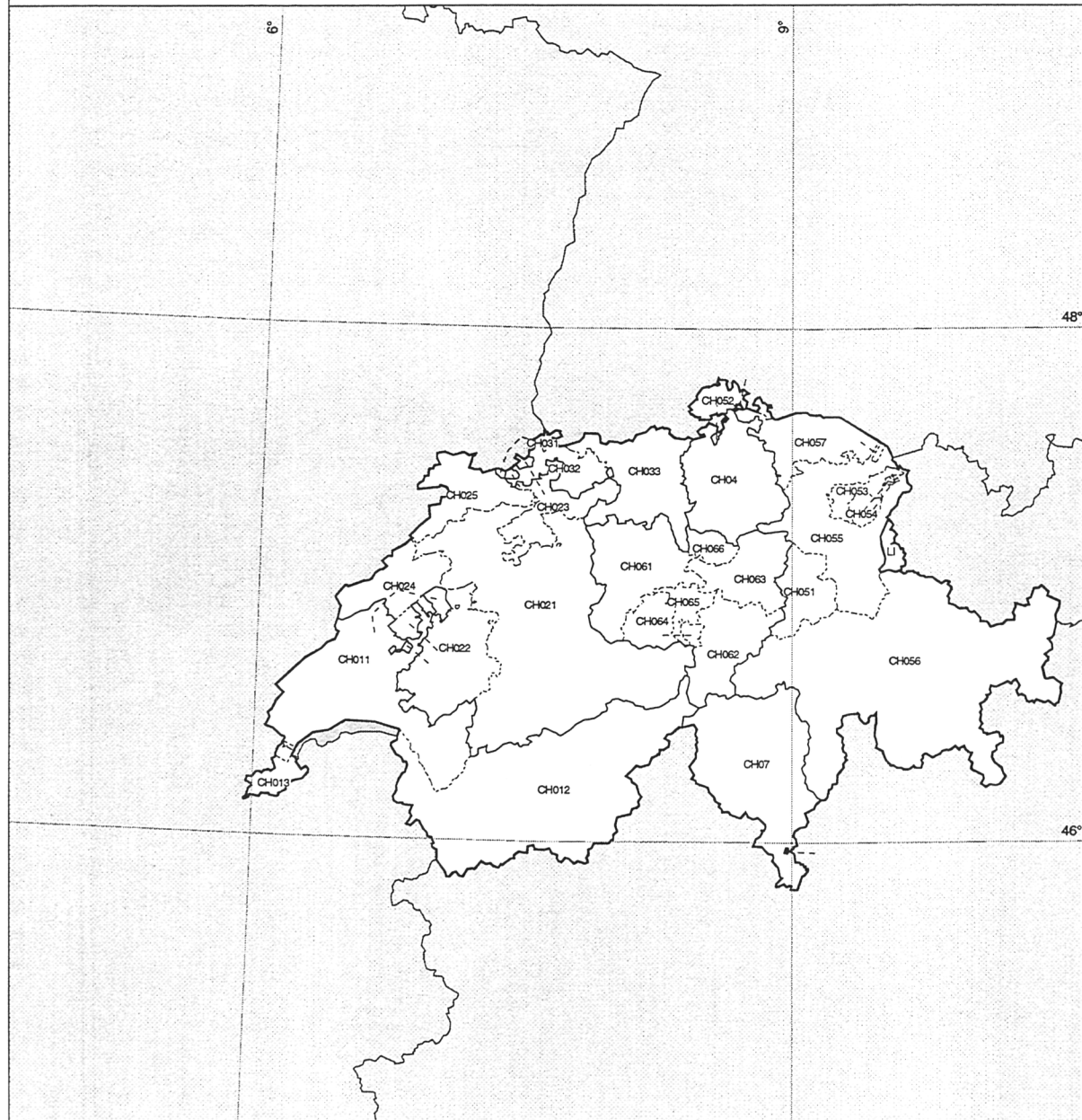
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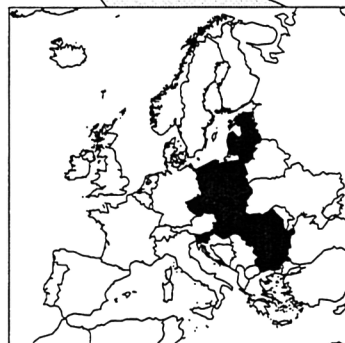
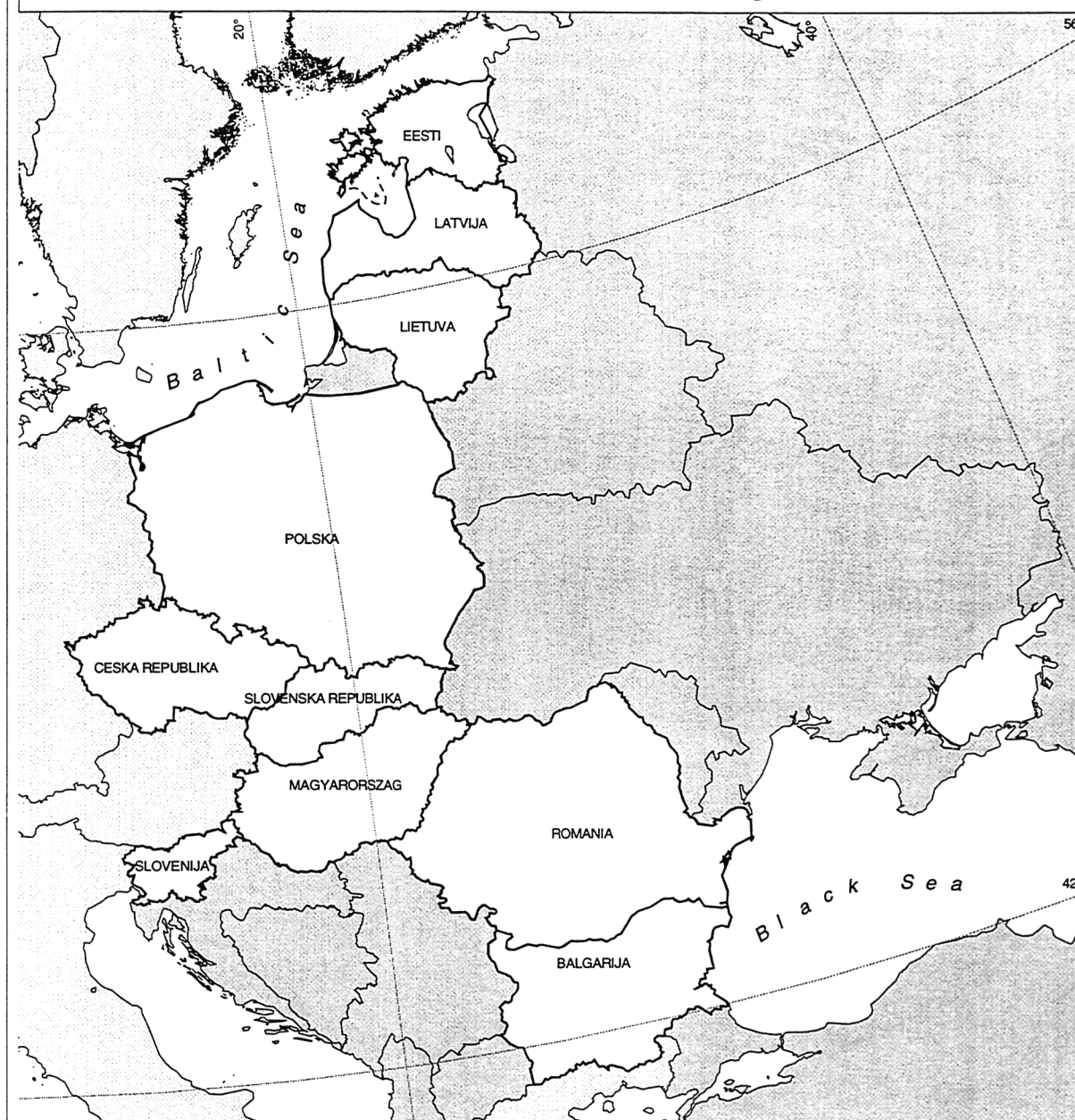
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Central European Countries – Statistical regions level 0

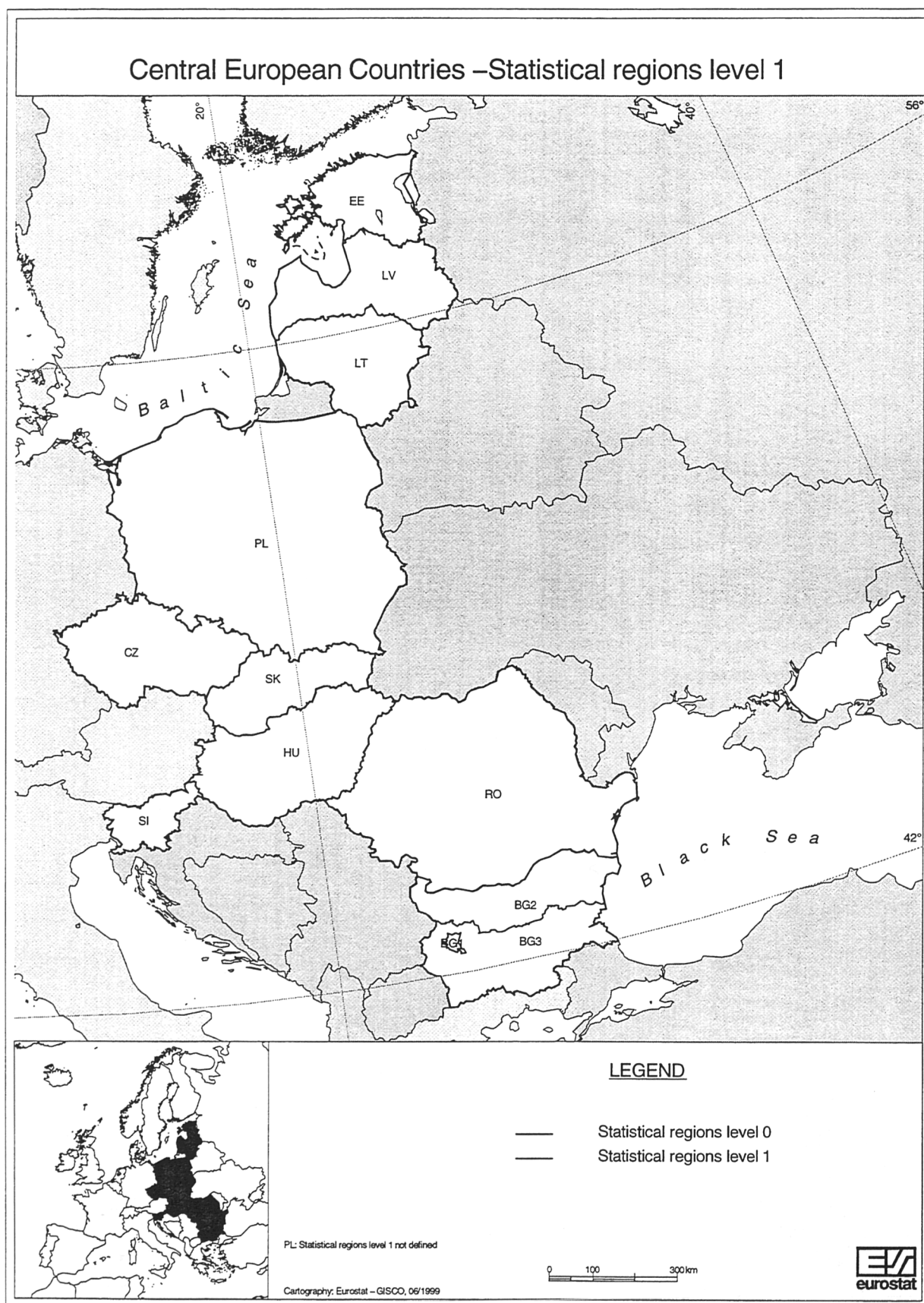


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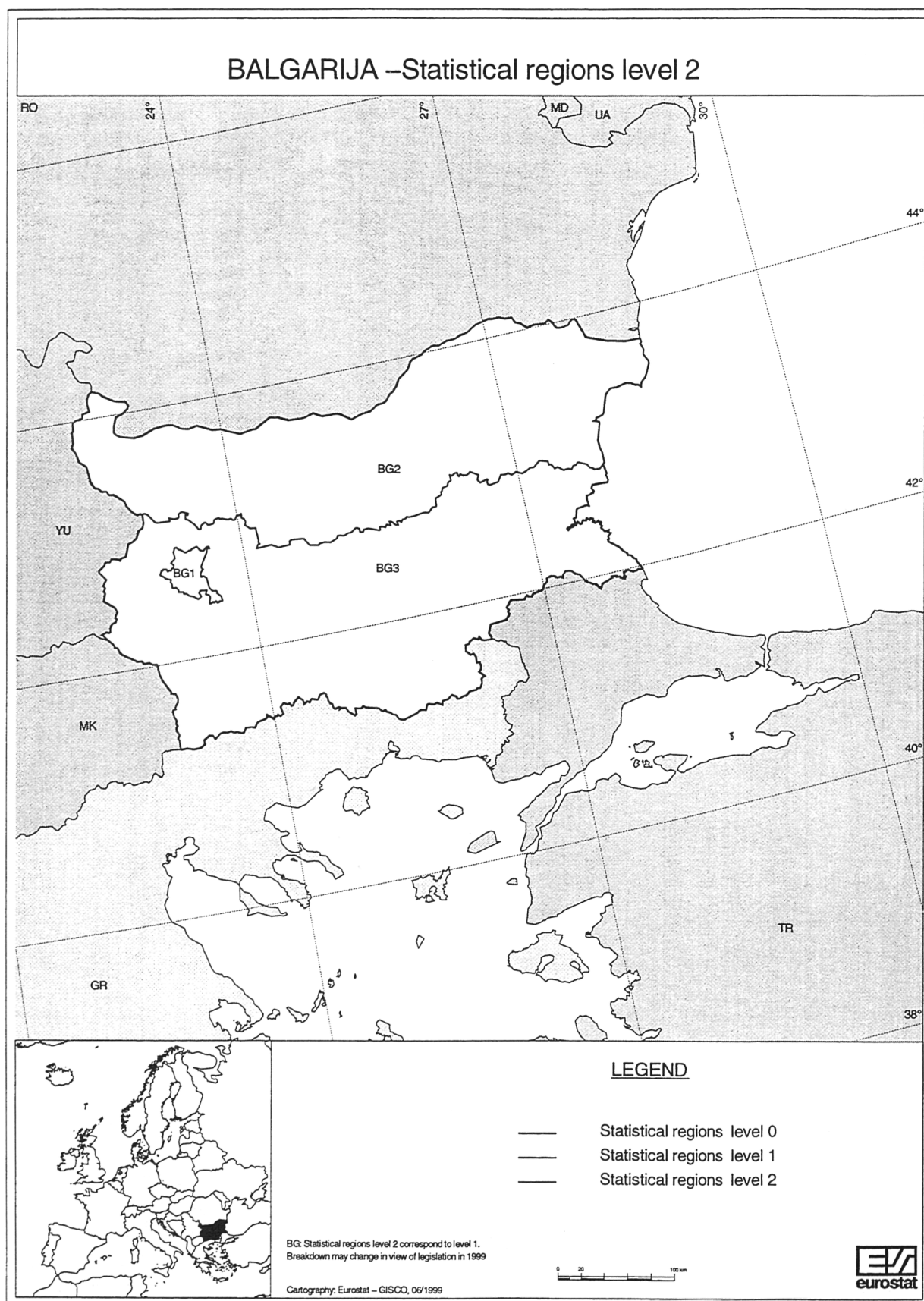
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CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
BG			BĂLGARIJA
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BG1	SOFIA STOLITSA	Sofia stolitsa	<i>Sofia stolitsa</i>
BG2	SEVERNA BĂLGARIJA	Severna Bălgarija	
BG201			<i>Vama</i>
BG202			<i>Veliko Turnovo</i>
BG203			<i>Vidin</i>
BG204			<i>Vratsa</i>
BG205			<i>Gabrovo</i>
BG206			<i>Dobrich</i>
BG207			<i>Lovech</i>
BG208			<i>Montana</i>
BG209			<i>Pleven</i>
BG20A			<i>Razgrad</i>
BG20B			<i>Ruse</i>
BG20C			<i>Silistra</i>
BG20D			<i>Targovishte</i>
BG20E			<i>Shumen</i>
BG3	YUZHNA BĂLGARIJA	Yuzhna Bălgarija	
BG301			<i>Blagoevgrad</i>
BG302			<i>Burgas</i>
BG303			<i>Kurdjali</i>
BG304			<i>Kyustendil</i>
BG305			<i>Pazardzhik</i>
BG306			<i>Pemik</i>
BG307			<i>Plovdiv</i>
BG308			<i>Sliven</i>
BG309			<i>Smolyan</i>
BG30A			<i>Sofia</i>
BG30B			<i>Stara Zagora</i>
BG30C			<i>Haskovo</i>
BG30D			<i>Yambol</i>



BALGARIJA – Statistical regions level 3



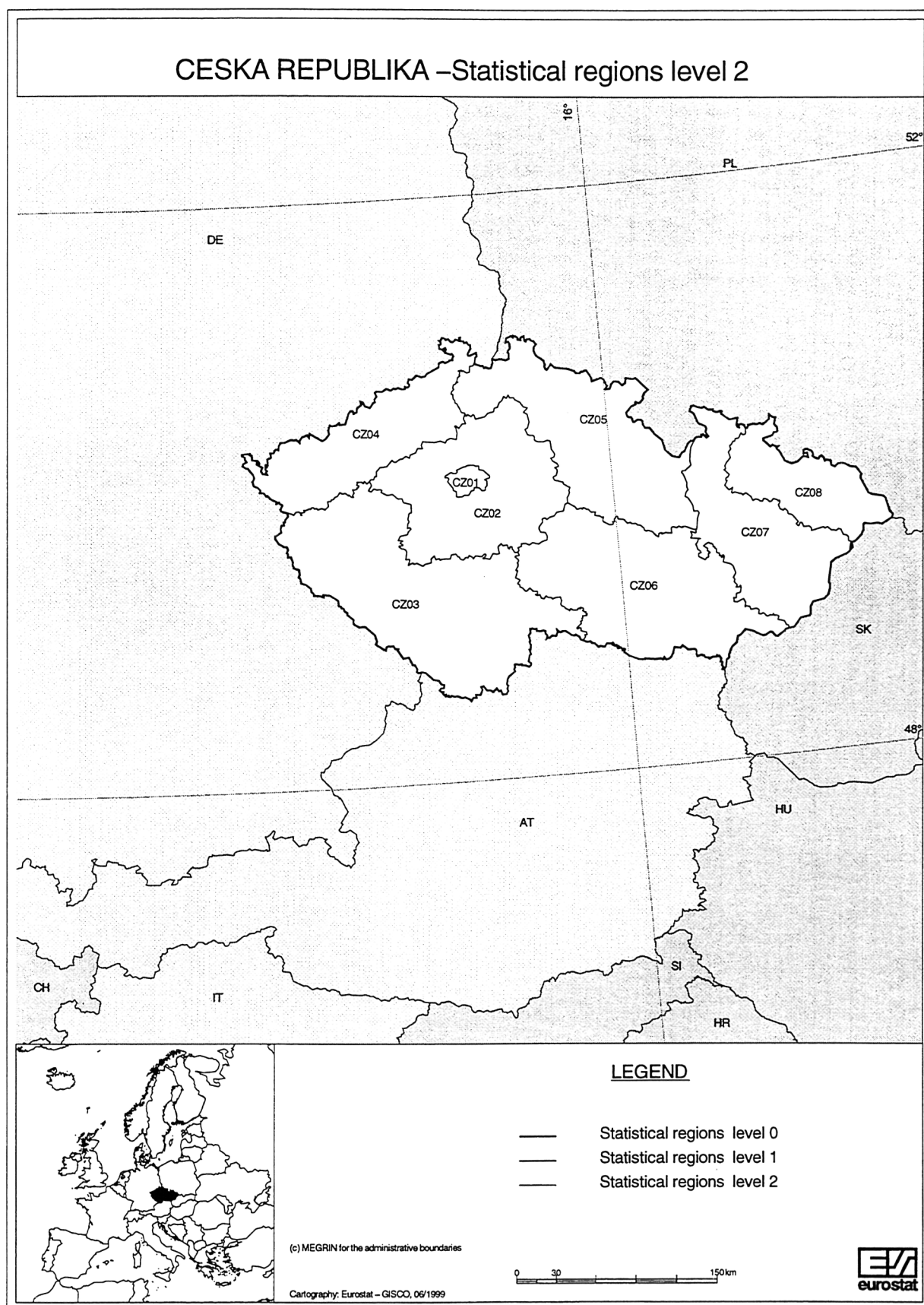
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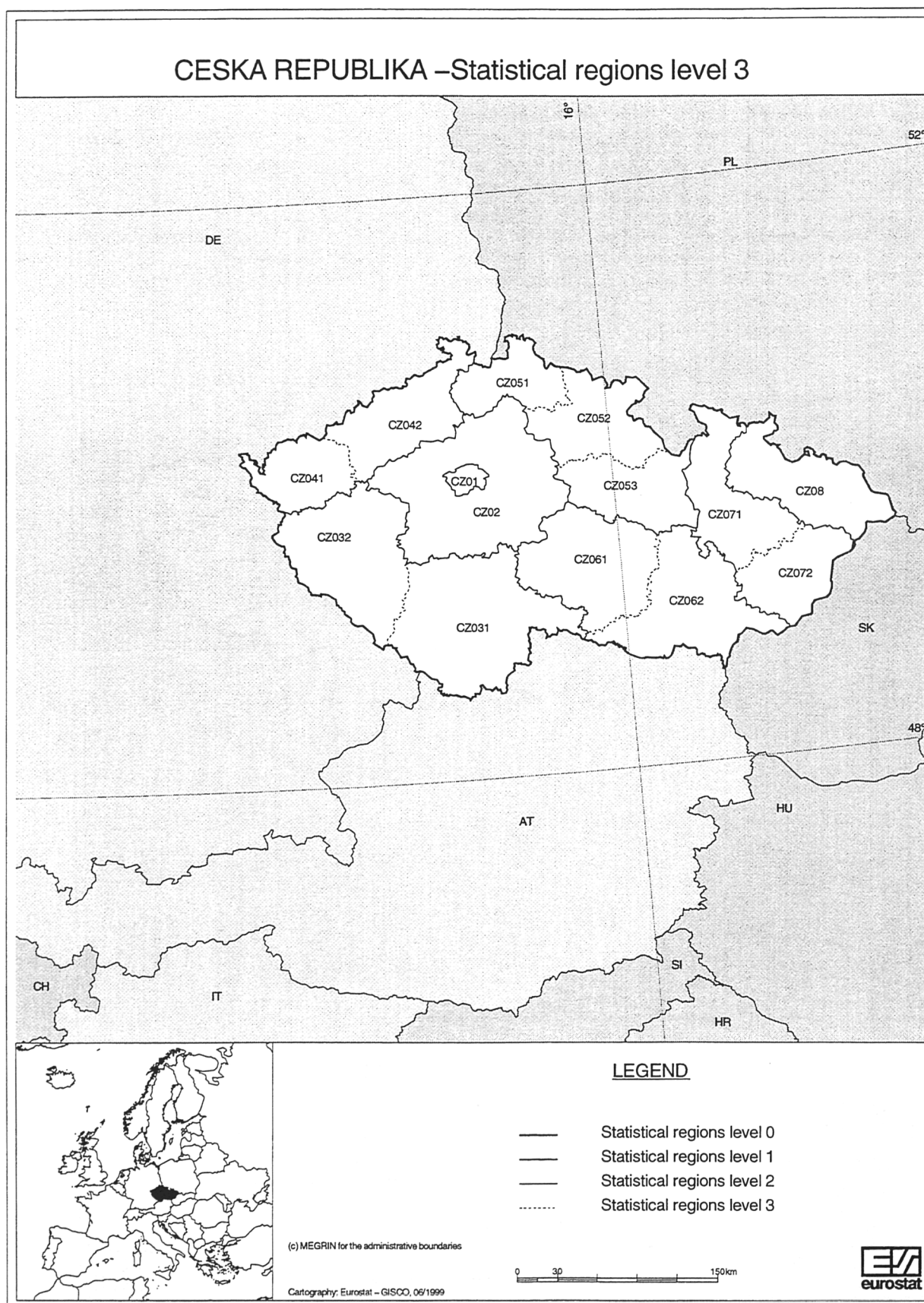
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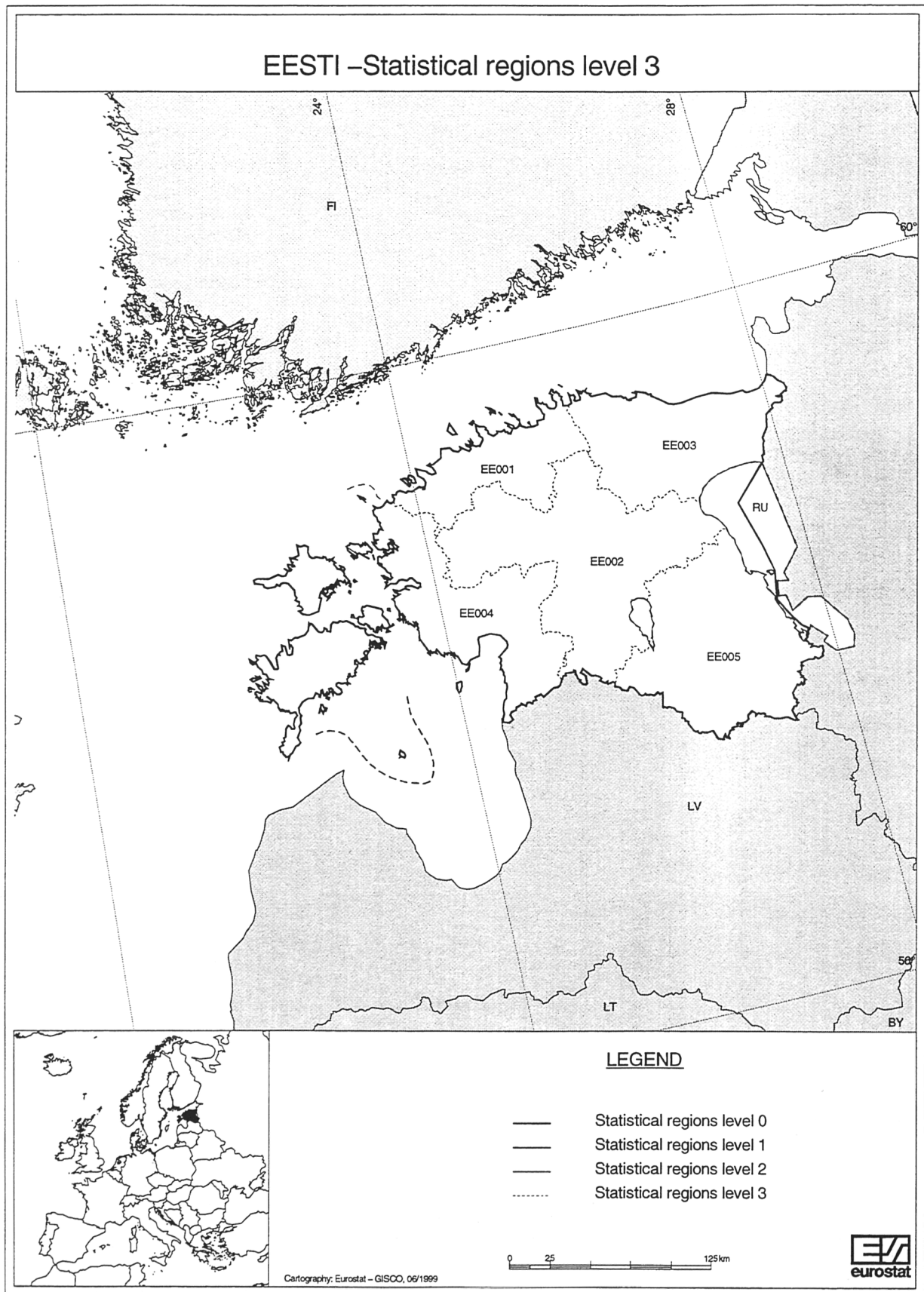
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CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
CZ			ČESKÁ REPUBLIKA
CZ	ČESKÁ REPUBLIKA		
CZ01		Praha	<i>Praha</i>
CZ02		Střední Čechy	<i>Středočeský</i>
CZ03		Jihozápad	
CZ031			<i>Českobudějovický</i>
CZ032			<i>Plzeňský</i>
CZ04		Severozápad	
CZ041			<i>Karlovarský</i>
CZ042			<i>Ústecký</i>
CZ05		Severovýchod	
CZ051			<i>Liberecký</i>
CZ052			<i>Královehradecký</i>
CZ053			<i>Pardubický</i>
CZ06		Jihovýchod	
CZ061			<i>Jihlavský</i>
CZ062			<i>Brněnský</i>
CZ07		Střední Morava	
CZ071			<i>Olomoucký</i>
CZ072			<i>Zlínský</i>
CZ08		Ostravsko	<i>Ostravský</i>

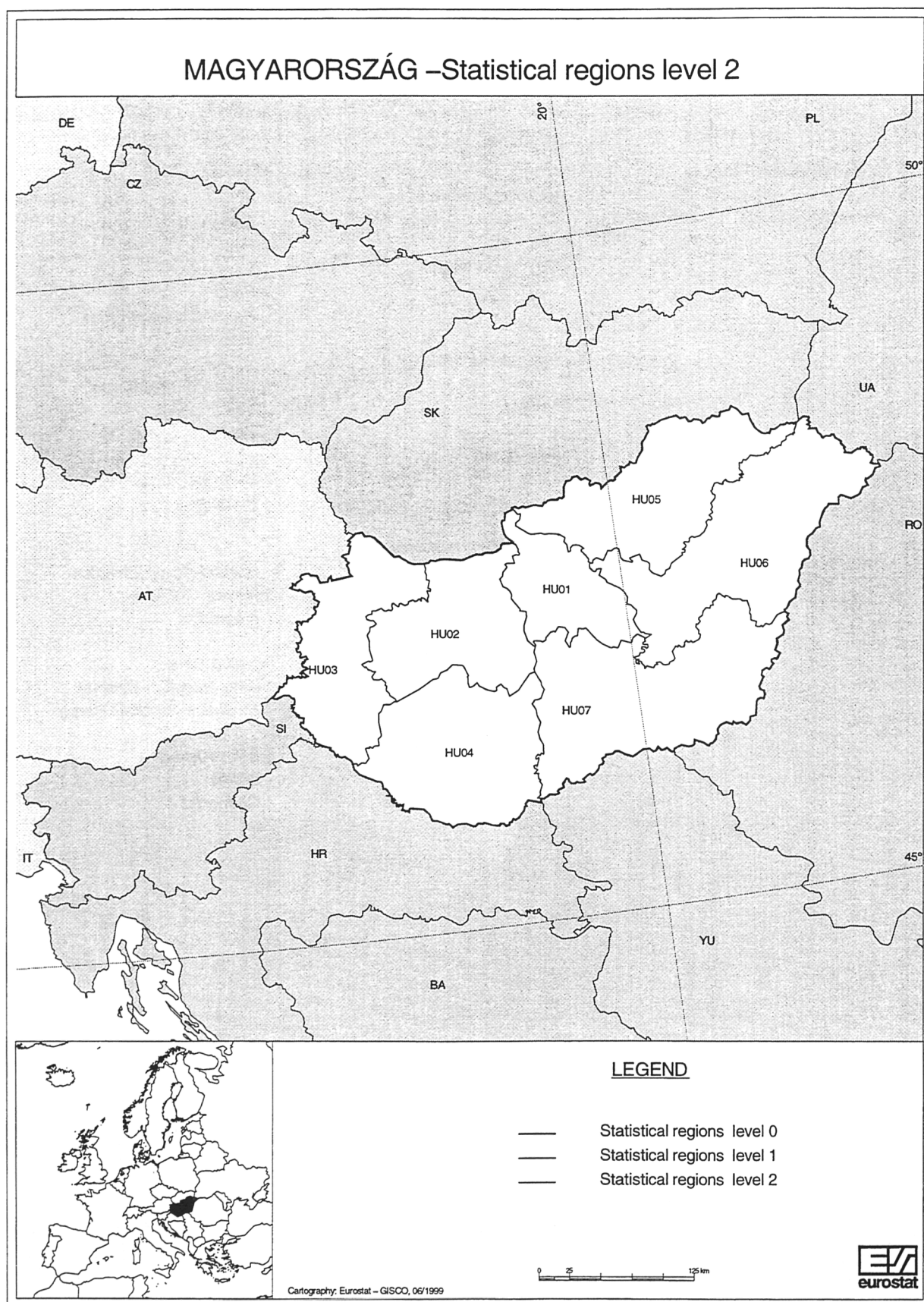




CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
EE			EESTI
EE	EESTI	Eesti	
EE001			<i>Põhja-Eesti</i>
EE002			<i>Kesk-Eesti</i>
EE003			<i>Kirde-Eesti</i>
EE004			<i>Lääne-Eesti</i>
EE005			<i>Lõuna-Eesti</i>



CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
HU			MAGYARORSZÁG
HU	MAGYARORSZÁG		
HU01		Közép-Magyarország	
HU011			<i>Budapest</i>
HU012			<i>Pest</i>
HU02		Közép-Dunántúl	
HU021			<i>Fejér</i>
HU022			<i>Komárom-Esztergom</i>
HU023			<i>Veszprém</i>
HU03		Nyugat-Dunántúl	
HU031			<i>Győr-Moson-Sopron</i>
HU032			<i>Vas</i>
HU033			<i>Zala</i>
HU04		Dél-Dunántúl	
HU041			<i>Baranya</i>
HU042			<i>Somogy</i>
HU043			<i>Tolna</i>
HU05		Észak-Magyarország	
HU051			<i>Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén</i>
HU052			<i>Heves</i>
HU053			<i>Nógrád</i>
HU06		Észak-Alföld	
HU061			<i>Hajdú-Bihar</i>
HU062			<i>Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok</i>
HU063			<i>Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg</i>
HU07		Dél-Alföld	
HU071			<i>Bács-Kiskun</i>
HU072			<i>Békés</i>
HU073			<i>Csongrád</i>



MAGYARORSZÁG – Statistical regions level 3



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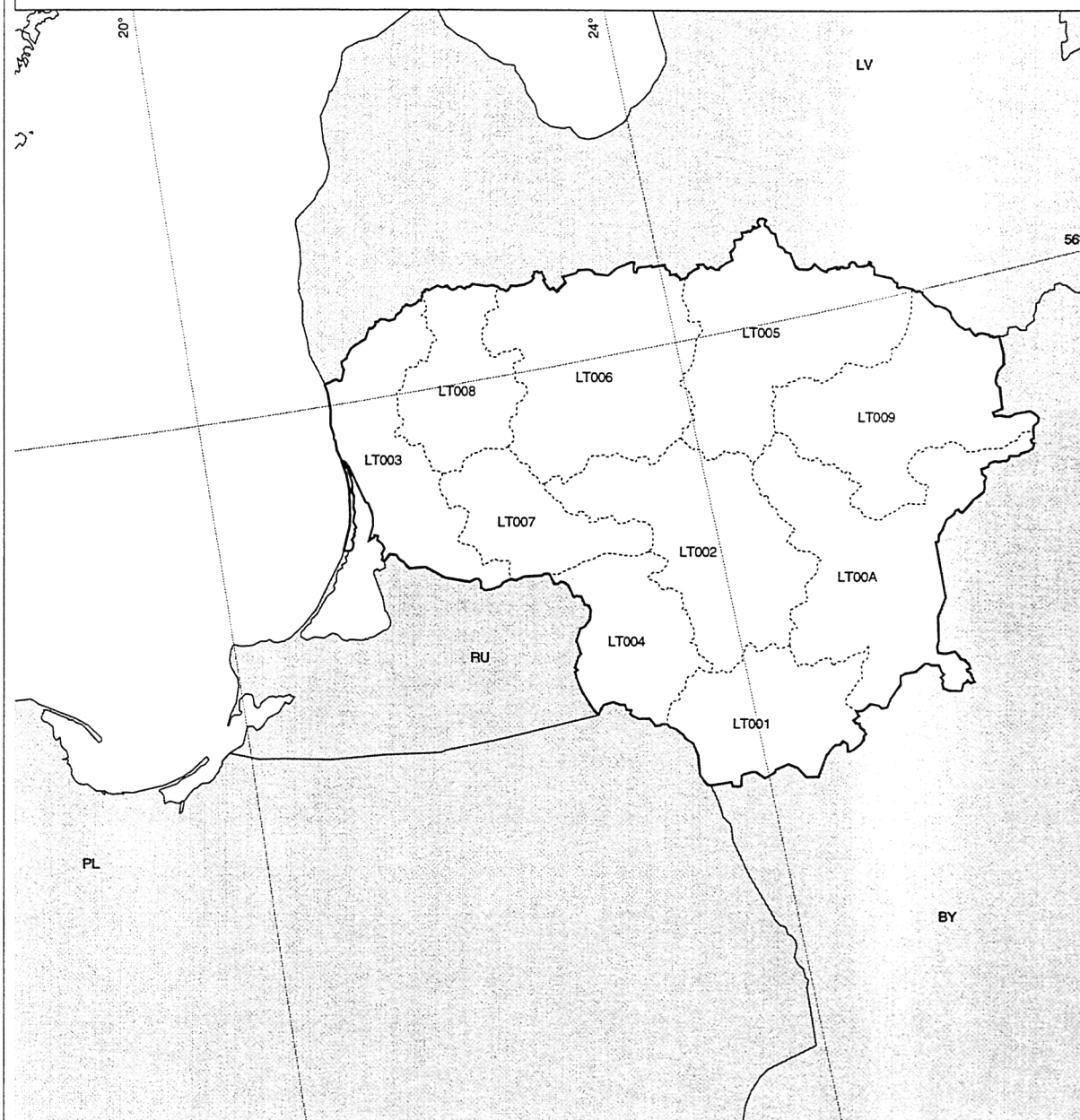
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CODE	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
LT			LIETUVA
LT	LIETUVA	Lietuva	
LT001			<i>Alytaus (Apskritis)</i>
LT002			<i>Kauno (Apskritis)</i>
LT003			<i>Klaipėdos (Apskritis)</i>
LT004			<i>Marijampolės (Apskritis)</i>
LT005			<i>Panevėžio (Apskritis)</i>
LT006			<i>Šiaulių (Apskritis)</i>
LT007			<i>Tauragės (Apskritis)</i>
LT008			<i>Telšių (Apskritis)</i>
LT009			<i>Utenos (Apskritis)</i>
LT00A			<i>Vilniaus (Apskritis)</i>

LIETUVA – Statistical regions level 3



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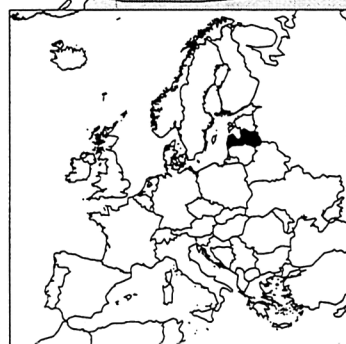
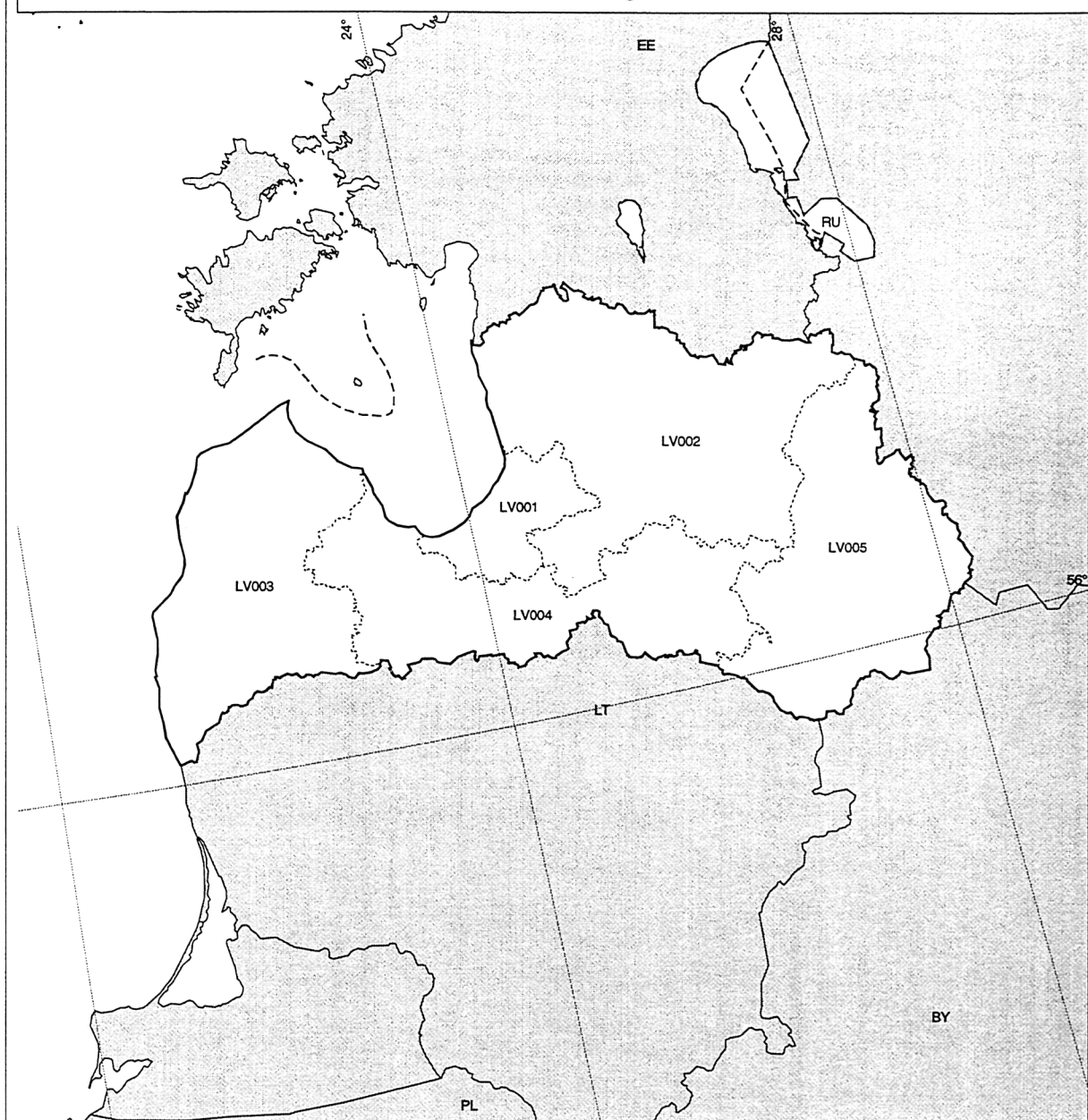
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LV	LATVIJA	Latvija	
LV001			<i>Rīga</i>
LV002			<i>Vidzeme</i>
LV003			<i>Kurzeme</i>
LV004			<i>Zemgale</i>
LV005			<i>Latgale</i>

LATVIJA – Statistical regions level 3



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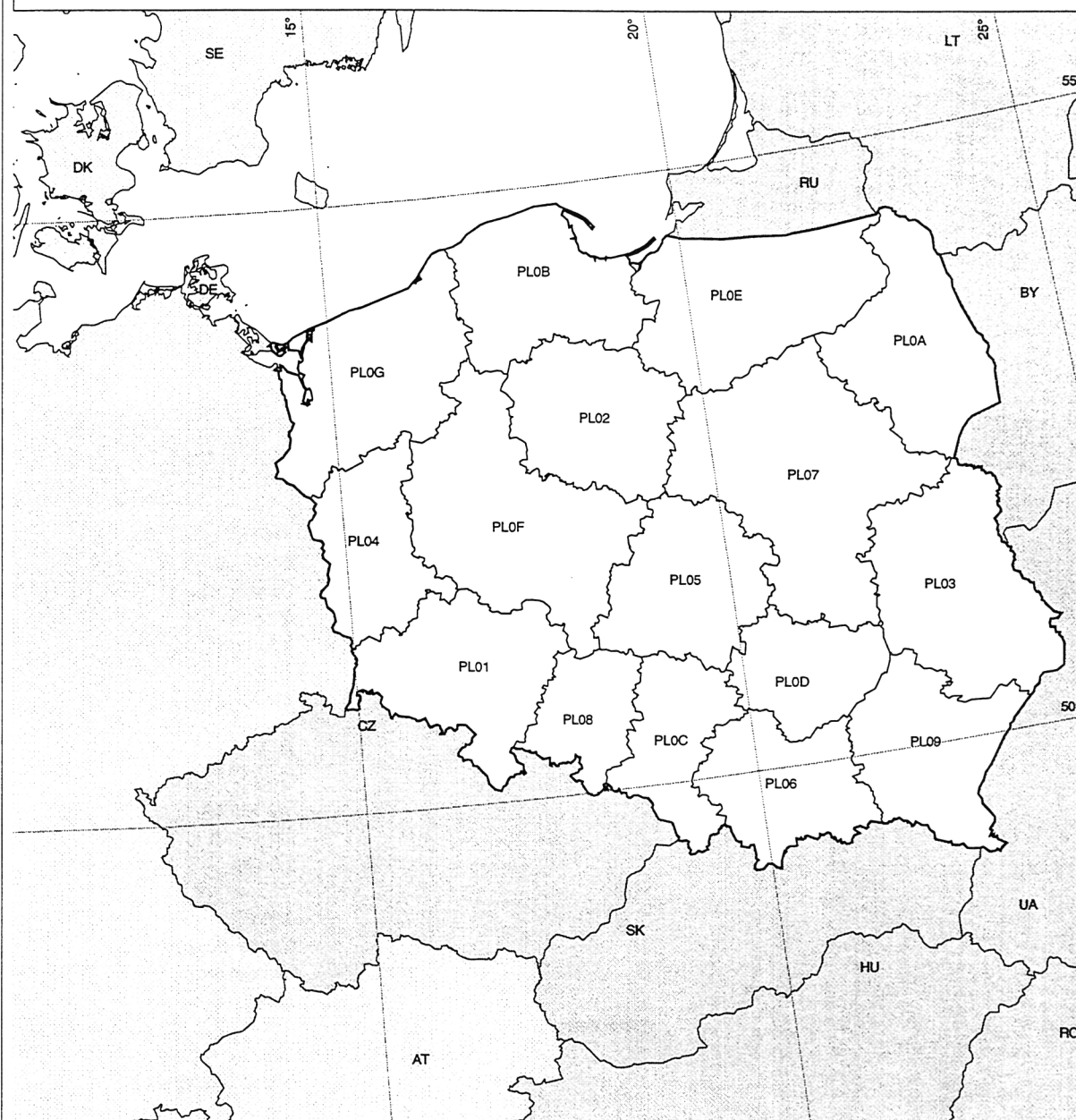
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PL			POLSKA
<i>Temporary coding (in effect from 1/1/1999; new coding for levels 1 and 3 are still under negotiation)</i>			
PL	POLSKA		
PL01		Dolnośląskie	
PL02		Kujawsko-Pomorskie	
PL03		Lubelskie	
PL04		Lubuskie	
PL05		Łódzkie	
PL06		Małopolskie	
PL07		Mazowieckie	
PL08		Opolskie	
PL09		Podkarpackie	
PL0A		Podlaskie	
PL0B		Pomorskie	
PL0C		Śląskie	
PL0D		Świętokrzyskie	
PL0E		Warmińsko-Mazurskie	
PL0F		Wielkopolskie	
PL0G		Zachodniopomorskie	

POLSKA – Statistical regions level 2



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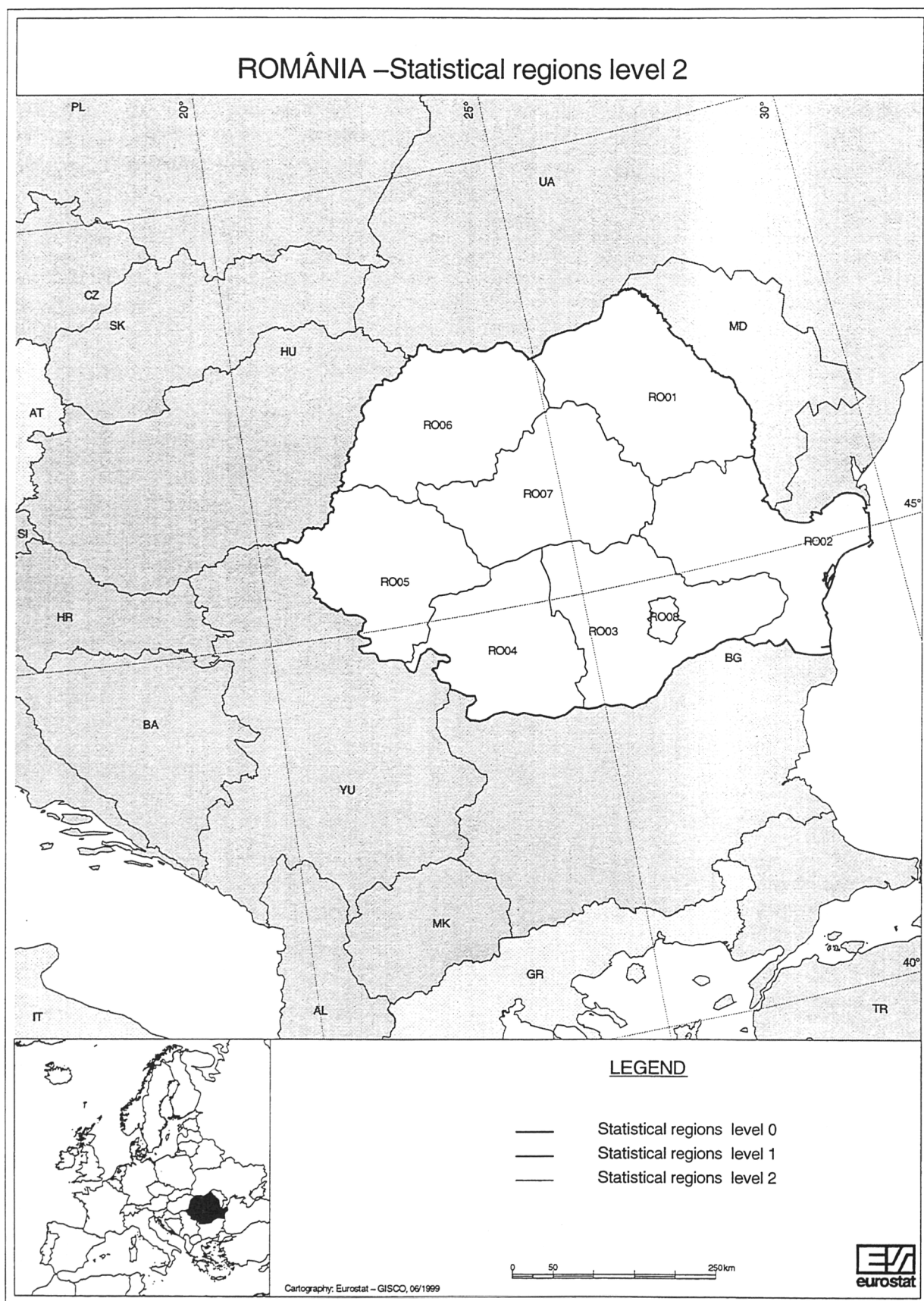
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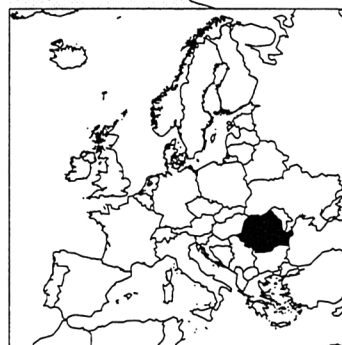
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RO036			Prahova
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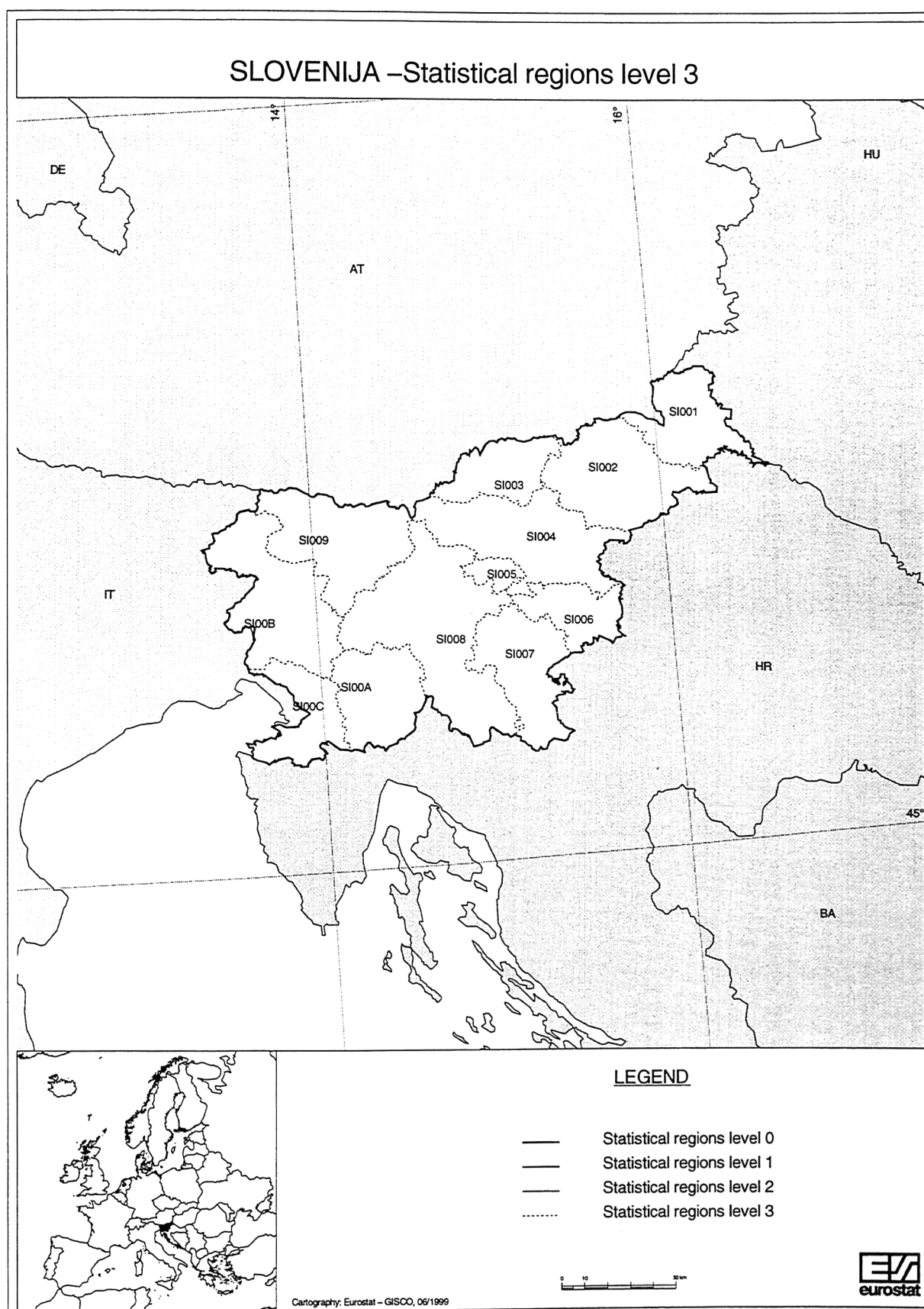
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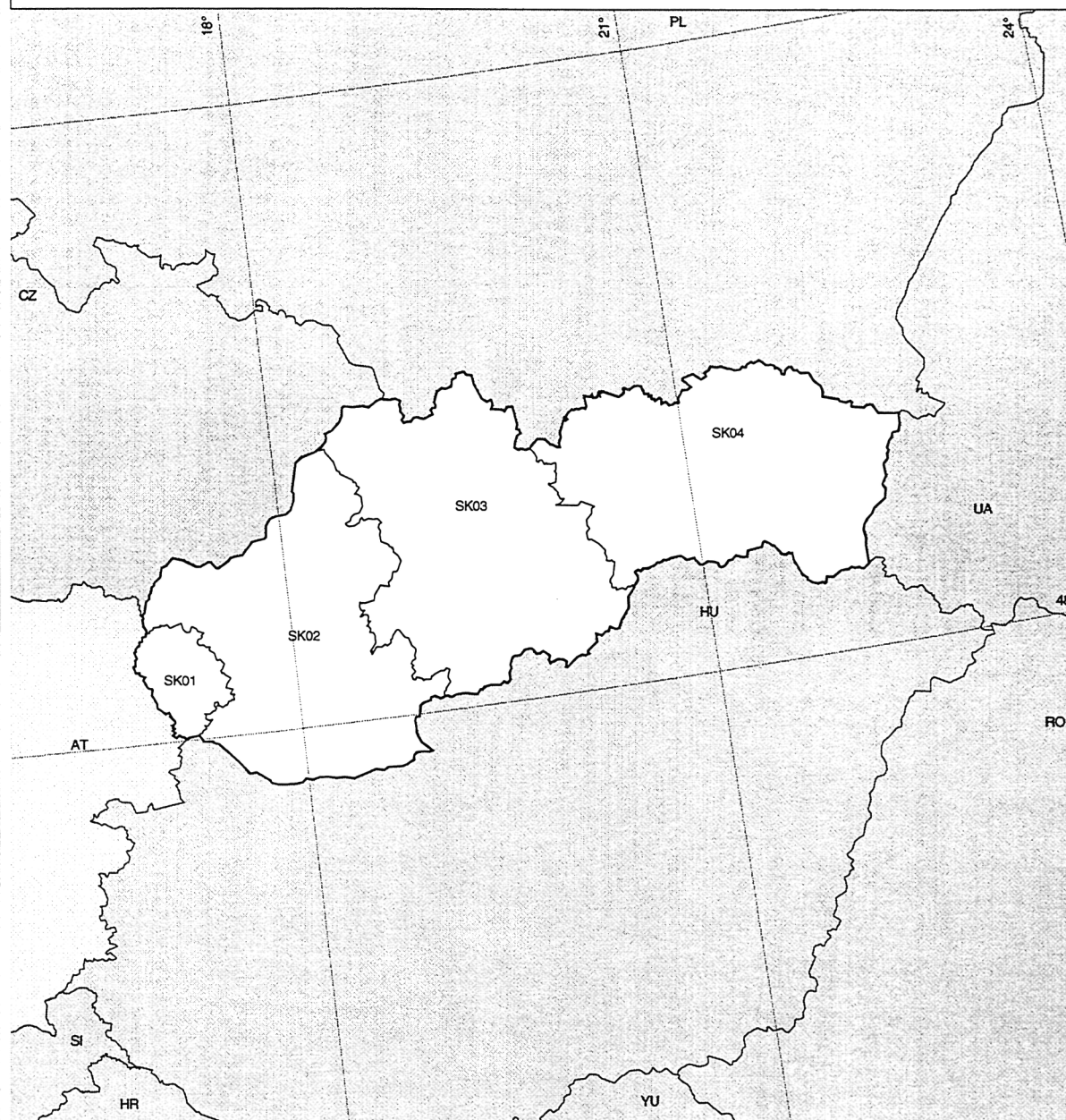
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SK022			<i>Trenčianský kraj</i>
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SK03		Stredné Slovensko	
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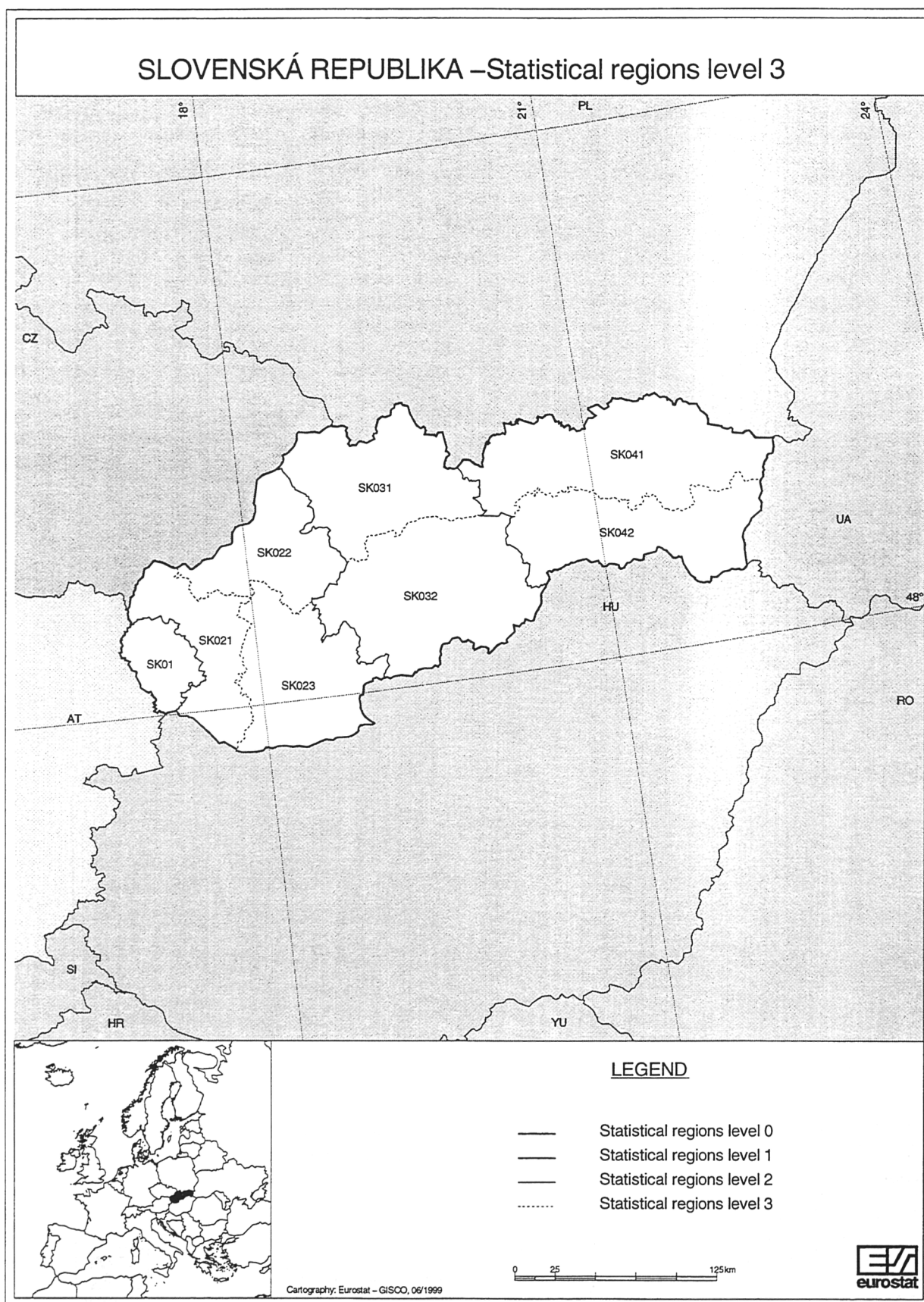


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LI		
LI	LIECHTENSTEIN	0 1 2 3

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Other terms

Deutsch	English	Français
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	European Free Trade Association	Association Européenne de libre-échange
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Ebene	Level	Niveau

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